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EXPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR BRAZIL

ELIGIBLE/INELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

A. Eligible Product

1. Fresh/frozen beef carcasses, beef livers, boneless beef
2. Fresh/frozen lamb
3. Fresh/frozen pork.
4. Further processed red meat products
5. Edible and Inedible products for pharmaceutical or other industrial purposes
6. Inedible beef tallow
7. Airline Meals - U.S. meat intended for use in meals on airlines for the consumption of the crew and passengers on board international flights may be exported from any U.S. inspected facility.

B. Ineligible Product

Fresh/frozen poultry and poultry products.

PROCESSING/LABELING REQUIREMENTS

A. Processing Requirements

1. Inedible beef tallow must be denatured with fluorescein at 2 grams per metric ton of product prior to shipping to Brazil. (Note: Other denaturants with the same effect may be used at levels approved by FSIS.)
2. Bulk-packed meat products (such as boneless pork meat) must be packaged in plastic (cyrovac or similar material), even if packed in waxed or impermeable boxes.
3. The production date (date on which the product was prepared) must be identified on the master carton.

B. The Brazilian government requires the pre-approval of all animal product labels. Label approval is the responsibility of the exporter through his agent (importer or broker in Brazil). The importer usually prepares the required Portuguese translation and submits the labeling along with the required questionnaire to the Brazilian Department of Animal Origin Products Inspection (DIPOA). The following information will need to be supplied to the importer:

1. name of product,
2. ingredients, country of origin,
3. special storage instructions (when necessary)
4. net weight (in metric units),
5. date of production (must be identified on master carton), and
6. expiration date (shelf life, established by the manufacturer)

Label approval can be accomplished through the importer in the Brazil or might be accomplished through consulting firms: The following are presented for information and other firms may be

available. These are presented without any intended bias and with no guarantee of reliability:

Ms. Eliane Myiazaki
Foodstaff Consultoria
Av. Aratas, 1381
0481 Sao Paulo, SP
Tel. (55-11) 535-3976
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Rua Aiuru 47/203 Humanita
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SRTN Q. 701, Bl. A, s/627
70710-200 Brasilia, DF
Tel. (55-61) 981-7013
Fax (55-61) 273-7575

Label submissions are not accepted by the TSC or by direct submission through the U.S. Embassy in Brazil.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

A. Certification

1. Meat and Poultry Products - Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5--Export Certificate of Wholesomeness.
2. Glands for Pharmaceutical Use
 - a. Inedible product-Obtain FSIS Form 9060-9 (MP Form 415-3)--Export Certificate For Inedible Product.
 - b. Edible product- Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 (MP-130). Type the following statement in the remarks section *"FOR PHARMACEUTICAL USE ONLY"*.
3. Inedible Tallow - Obtain FSIS form 9060-9 (MP form 415-3)--Export Certificate For Inedible Product. Type the following statement on the certificate:

"The product was denatured with fluorescein at the rate of 2 grams per metric ton" (or a similar statement if any other denaturant was used.)

4. Airline Meals. Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5. Type the following statement in the "Remarks" section:

"This product is intended for exclusive use for airline or ship meals."

Note: Certificates should never be stamped with the export stamp or embossed with a stamp.*

B. U.S. export certificates must be visaed by the Brazilian Consulate in Washington, DC. The address is as follows:

Brazilian Consulate
Legalization Section
3009 Whitehaven St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008-3613
(202) 238-2735

PLANTS ELIGIBLE TO EXPORT*

A. Plant Approval - Fresh/frozen red meat and further processed meat and further processed poultry products for export to Brazil must originate from a Brazilian approved facility. In January 1999, FSIS was notified that all plants approved prior to October, 1998 (listed as eligible for export to Brazil in the FSIS Export Library) were eligible to export to Brazil for six months (until approximately July 31, 1999). On September 15, 1999, FSIS was further notified that these same plants could continue to export until further notice. New applications for plant approval are not being accepted by Brazil at this time. Brazil is implementing a new process for plant approval. More information about the approval process will be provided as it becomes available.

B. The Brazilian List of Approved Facilities is updated periodically and is available in the "Eligible Plant Listings" of the Export Requirement Library. Printed copies may be requested from the FSIS Technical Service Center, Omaha, NE, (402) 221-7400. Exporters should be aware that the Brazilian Meat Inspection Service (DIPOA) has granted provisional approval to all these establishments. DIPOA reserves the right to review any of the previously approved establishments, if they judge necessary, at the expense of the Brazilian importer or U.S. exporter.

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